JOSE ROMERO

ECAUSE of numerous vacancies in the ranks of subordinate officers of battalions and regiments and the small number of officials graduated from the Military college, in addition to other reasons, the war department of the Mexican government, which at that time was under the direction of General Mena, submitted a bill, approved by congress

on December 7, 1904, in the form of a decree, by virtue of which the "Escuela Militar de Aspirantes" (Military Training school) was established. The school has for its object the training of subordinate officers for the infantry, cavalry and artillery service. The institution was opened on January 29, 1905, in the remodeled building of the old factory of Santa Fe, in Tialpam, which had been acquired by the department for that purpose. The rules and regulations now in force in the school were issued at that time, according to which it was specified that young men desiring to enter the school must be Mexicans between 18 and 21 years of age. In the case of minors it was necessary to obtain the consent of the father or guardian, Further requirements provide that the candidate shall have finished a course of primary instruction, shall be of good character, vaccinated and possessed of the health and phys-



CAVALRY PRACTICE

ical strength necessary for the pursuit of a military career.

Young men having the foregoing qualifications and who wish to enter the school are required to apply in their own handwriting to the secretary of war and navy, accompanying their applications by documents stating their ages and delicondition as well as by certicates showing their academic and social training. At the bottom of the application the father or tutor must give his consent in writing to the entry of the applicant into the army as a prospective officer. Applications are to be made so as to reach the war de partment in November or during the first half of December, also in May and during the first half of June of each year.

If the applications are accepted and after the medical examination certifying to the physical fitness of the candidates for the military service has been made, the applicants enter the training school on July and January 1, respectively, and are enrolled therein in due course. Record is made of the class of officers the applicants desire to become and of their agreement to serve as such during the time they attend the military training school and in the army for a period of five years thereafter, the latter time to be reckoned from the date they leave the institution.

Young men admitted as candidates must apply for entry into the school on the dates already mentioned and pursue therein three theoreticalpractical courses of six months each, and after separately completing said courses enter such battalion or regiment as may be indicated by those in charge of the school for a course of practical instruction. After a year's service as sub-lieutenants in the reserve army, if they have shown evidence of ability and of a military spirit they will be transferred into the regular army.

Cadets are allowed 73 cents Mexican money per day for board and other minor expenses; are given 50 cents a day as a loan, and are allowed an additional amount of 60 cents a day for the purpose of forming a fund to be applied in the purchase of equipment and uniform to be used in the school, which becomes their property on leaving the institution and comprises their first equipment as officers.

Cadets are subject to military law for crimes and misdemeanors committed by them during the time they are in the service. The cadets live in the school, take their meals there and only go out on Sundays and national holidays, or by permission and according to the judgment of the commandant.

The studies of the half-yearly theoreticalpractical courses are, for the first six months, rules and regulations; auditing and military accounting; geography in general; elements of history, arithmetic and algebra; elements of Span-ish grammar and panoramic drawing. For the second six months the studies embrace tactics with the weapon used in the department to which

tinue to maintain an automobile." approved by the commander. FOUND THE LOST MINE For years and years the prospectors in Sonora, Mexico, have been searching for the second of what has been recorded in history as the "twin lost mines." In certain old records of the early

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missions mention is made of two certain lost mines. The names under which they are recorded like the names of most of the missions established under the Spanish crown, do not correspond with any known landmarks today and hence only relative location can be used as a basis for exploration. When the San Pedro mine, located south of Nacozari, was discovered some years ago, with its old underground workings, it is firmly believed that one of the two lost mines had been discovered. Now it seems probable that the secand also has been located and in the belt indicated in the ancient documents. Even if the

second of the famous lost mines has not been

the cadet is assigned; campaign fortifica-

tions; practical knowledge of explosives

and elements of physics and chemistry;

military jurisprudence and law; geometry

For the third six months the studies com-

prise general tactics or the use of the three

weapons, including the application of

themes relating to maps or charts of the

country; theory and practice with small

firearms (or artillery); communication and work in the field; military topography;

military hygiene and military horsemanship

course the cadets are instructed by a special professor for each subject in physical

culture, swimming, fencing and marksman-ship with the revolver. Infantry cadets

have a special six-months' course in horse-

manship and mounted cadets are instructed

in this branch during the entire period of

the three six-months' terms. The cadets

receive military instruction in the interior

well as in mancuvering in solid phalanxes and in-

struction in campaign operations during the en-

tire period of their training, daily practice being

given them under the orders of the captains in

command and in conformity with the programs

In addition to the foregoing during the three six-months' terms which make up the

for mounted officers.

service and management

trigonometry; topographic drawing.

discovered an antigua mine of great age has been found, with proofs enough to indicate that it has not been worked for many years. The discovery was made by John Guilfoyle, a well-known ploneer mining prospector of Nacozari. When out west of Nacozari about ten miles he came across a piece of detached ore, which he picked up and examined. He spent many days looking over the neighboring ledges in the hope of coming across the mother lode. But his search was in vain. Meantime he brought in the specimen of ore and was surprised to find that it ran 1.370 ounces of silver to the ton, with good values in gold. This assay ran so high that he returned to the district and continued his search. While using a steel in a creek bottom he found rock

ings he suddenly struck a spot where the steel sank several feet. Guilfoyle knew that the rock formation could not have ended so abruptly and he began to ex-cavate. He uncovered a long cut in the solid rock of the creek bed which held down stream and which could not have been cut there when the water was flowing in the present creek bed. As he progressed he found old stone implements, including stone hammers, hatchets, and finally he came across a great ancient mateta or stone bowl in which the ancient workers pulverized the na-

almost at the surface, but continuing his sound.

tive ores before smelting in their crude dobe furnaces. Later he uncovered matetas, all made of a hard flint rock, which must have been brought into the district from a considerable distance, as there is no flint of this hardness near the mine. After pursuing his work for several days, the drift in the rock led into the ore ledge, but the old workings were found to be closed up solid with

"MONKEY

During the first years of the school

theoretical-practical courses of in-

struction were limited to two terms

and one term of practise in the serv-

ice of the ranks. Experience, how-

ever, induced the commandant of the

school to broaden the course to the

extent of the studies which now ob-

must be military men of acknowl-

edged ability and practise in the sub-

jects they teach. The school natu-

rally seeks to impart instruction to

the cadets along all lines of useful

knowledge, with particular reference

to a military career. The staff of teachers con-

weeks of June and December of each year, no grades being accepted that fall below the ap-

proved standard known as the "three B's."

Examinations are held during the first two

It is reported that the able director of the

school, Lieut. Col. Miguel Ruelas, has submitted

new rules and regulations in detail that are most

appropriate for the needs and growth of the in-

stitution and considering his natural ability and

the desire he has to correct such defects as his

experience of nearly five years has shown him

exist, these regulations will undoubtedly be ap-

proved by the war department. Under the new

regulations the artillery battery will again be established and the course of instruction extended to four terms of six months each.

The present budget provides \$174,551.35 Mex

ican money for the use of the institution, not including items of forage for 98 horses and six

mules now in use at the school, and the keep of

which is charged to the general expense account

"Well," said the head of the family, "it's

"Whether we'll continue to eat meat or con

come to a choice between two things."

"And what is that?" asked his wife.

of the department of war.

sists of 22 professors.

All the professors of the school

Guilfoyle pursued his investigation and found under the soil on the creek upland the remains of an old slag dump. As is customary with the prospectors in Sonora, Guilfoyle at once had this slag assayed. On account of the primitive methods of smelting empleyed by the ancient workmen the slag found on these old dumps is usually rich enough to be worked over again in the modern smelters, which leave nothing of value in the slag, but, strange to note, in this case the slag was found to be absolutely worthless, indicating that at this mine the pulverizing of the ore had assisted in the extraction of the metal values. The antique amelters also knew a lot about the use of certain chemicals in the extraction of, bill to provide for the heating of metal from the ore and at this mine probably one of those processes was used in connection with ucation commissioners and local volthe furnace, only fragments of the foundation of which were found by excavation

The finding of the stone tools has caused considerable interest among those of an archaeological turn of mind. The Spaniards were experts in the manufacture of steel, so that the tools were not used by them. The supposition is that an Indian tribe worked this mine and that this tribe probably operated following the invasion and occupation of the Spanish adventurers. It is well known that there is a long gap between the sixeenth and eighteenth centuries where the history of Old Mexico and that district now including Ari zona and New Mexico is missing, probably be-cause the missionaries, finding that the crown of Spain robbed every mine reported, ceased to make report of them. In 1720 the Indians killed all the mine workers in Sonora and Arizona and many mines abandoned at that time have been lost to the world. Sonora has many mines which, on opening, are found to be antiguas and many of them are very rich.

An American sat at one end of a though the handkerchief was in dan ger of being scorched, her neighbors made no effort to pick it up. The American had started forward to res the handkerchief and then allow her

"Is he a representative citizen?"

HAMMERSTEIN OUITS OPERA

His Retirement Removes One of the Most Picturesque Impresarios of the Music World.

New York,-The announcement made several days ago that Oscar Hammerstein had withdrawn from opera removed from the American field one of the most picturesque impresarios that ever conducted an op eratie enterprise. His career has extended from cigar maker to play-wright, theatrical agent, builder of theaters and producer of grand opera. He left Berlin, where he was born in



1847, as a runaway boy, at the age of 16 and, coming to the United States, began work in the cigar trade. He invented and patented several labor-saving devices.

As early as 1868, when only 21 years old, he wrote three one-act comedies in German, which were produced in New York. He became the lessee and manager of the Stadt theater in New York in 1870, and from then on he grew in importance in the theatrical world. He built the Harlem opera house in 1880 and later built the Columbus theater, Manhattan opera house, Olympia (now the New York) theater. Victoria theater. Belasco the ater and New Opera house. It was said of him that he had made a milllon and a half dollars from nothing and then lost it, only to gain it back again in the same way. "I give opera," he once said, "for the unspeakable pleasure of giving other people pleasure.

GIRL IS AN OFFICE SEEKER

Miss Minnie McKay Is a Candidate for County Treasurer at Concordia, Kan.

Concordia, Kan.-Miss Minnie Mc Kay of Concordia has announced herself as a candidate for the Republican



nomination as treasurer of Cloud County. She is now serving her eighth year as a deputy in the offices of the county clerk and treasurer. Miss McKay was born at Ames in

this county and is a graduate of the Concordia high school and of Nazareth academy. There are four women in Kansas who hold office as county

Legislation of Moment.

Under the present system of heating national schools in some parts of Ireland by voluntary efforts, each pupil is expected to carry an armful of turf for the purpose. In many districts turf is now exhausted, with the consequence that fuel has to be obtained by purchase in the ordinary Compulsory attendance is in way. force in most of the counties, and many poor children, often in wet clothes, are compelled to attend schools which are sometimes not heated at all. To remedy this state of affairs several Irish Unionist members of parliament have brought forward a schools at the cost of the national eduntary bodies.

-Car for Women Only.

The only women's street car in the state of Michigan, and as far as is known, in the United States, is in operation in Flint. It is exclusively for members of the fair sex, and all of "the boys" know there is no accommodation for them on the car.

The young women so favored by the railroad company are the office employees of a motor company. The car makes two trips daily, lining up at 11:30 and 5:30 at the end of a string of cars which carry the male em ployes down to the city. Once in awhile some misguided newcomer, who has just started to work and does not know the rules concerning the special car, tries to get aboard, but invariably he is told pleasantly, but none the less firmly, to take the cars ahead.-Detroit Free Press.

Monarch's Spying Discounted. One of the favorite pastimes of Em peror Menelik of Abyssinia is to mount a tower of observation, which he has constructed for the purpose, and watch his subjects going about their duties in the streets and open their duties in the streets and open spaces through a powerful telescope. One disadvantage of this method of spying is that it is perfectly well known to the people themselves, who consequently do not give their "king of kings" much opportunity for discovering any deed worthy of punish

A cockney, while spending his holl-days in the Highlands, met an old shepherd, driving a flock of sheep. Wishing to show off a bit, he said: "Now, if I were a shepherd I would

teach the sheep to follow me. "Oh, aye," said the shepherd, "and I hiv nae doot ye wid manage, for if they saw anither sheep in frent they wid be sure to follow."—Tit-Bita.

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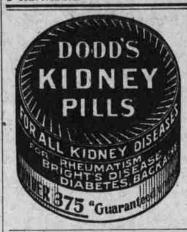
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Really a Serious Dilemma. "The chap who works on one side of me," said an office man, "has been martelephone about four times a day and calls up his wife, and then I hear him 'Dear, how is your headache now? I hope you are feeling better.' Then pretty soon he comes back to his desk and goes to work again all smi-

"The man who works on the other side of me has been married six years and he goes to the telephone only when he's called and then I hear him saying: 'Why, I can't possibly do that I can't spare the money;' and then he comes back to his desk all scowling. "And, really, when I hear the way these two men go on I don't know

what to do. I don't know whether to get married or to stay a bachelor." Even Among the Hoboes. "Hullo, Dusty," said Weary Wag-

gles, as the two tramps met in the street. "How's livin'?" "Somepin awful," replied Dusty Rhodes, "The cost of everything's gone up so a feller can't hardly get his

three meals per." "Humph!" ejaculated Weary. "I never knowed you to pay for nothin'." "No," returned Dusty, "but it's the to his mouth, solemn fact that along my route, where I used to have to ask only once for a breakfast, they make me ask a saint! twice these days."-Harper's Weekly.

Self-love is the only kind that puts a man in the undertaker's hands



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Ella-I think those fellows are getting their heads together over some-

Stella-Yes; I guess there's something in it. Ella-Which one?

One Type of Religion. "Too many people," said Rev. Charles F. Aked at a luncheon in New York, "regard their religion as did the little boy in the jam closet.

"His mother pounced on him suddenly. He stood on tiptoe, ladling jam with both hands from the jam pot "'Oh. Jacky!' his mother cried.

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Maybe Nipponese ideas of the attentions due to women differ from those that obtain in America, but certainly when a woman in New York, heard much of Japanese politeness was witness to an incident the other Chicago, Denver, San Francisco or any other American elty drops a bandkerchief on the floor of a public day which was far from confirming conveyance she would not have to his expectations in the matter. The pick it up herself if there were men kerchief came in contact with the ient involved two Japanese men

Were Lacking in Chivalry

first-class rallway carriage going from Yokohama to Tokyo, while at the other sat two Japanese men opposite to her. The woman was looking out of the window, and did not notice that her handkerchief had fallen out of her

The handkerchief fell on the edge of a cuspidor. Somebody had been smoking, and the border of the handstump of a still burning cigar. Even

cue and restore it when one of the Japanese displayed sufficient gallantry to nudge its owner, point to to pick it up herself.

Certainly not. He never went to the